

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The members of the President's Economic Council met in a morn-

ing executive session with the committee to discuss the President's economic report. In the afternoon, in a closed session, the committee heard Frederick J. Lawton, Director, Bureau of the Budget, outline various aspects of the President's fiscal program.

Tuesday, January 23, 1951

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate acted on foreign policy and eight contempt-citation resolutions.

Contract-renegotiation bill passed by House.

Senate committees held organizational meetings, and acted on labor-management reports.

Manpower utilization and selective service hearings opened by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 548-550

Bills Introduced: Thirty-three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 626 to S. 658; and S. Res. 51. Pages 548-549

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 39, to extend until March 31 the authority of the present Health Subcommittee of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (S. Rept. 33)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. Res. 19, providing funds for additional clerk hire for the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service (S. Rept. 34)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration; and

S. Res. 51, authorizing the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments to employ temporary additional personnel and increase limit of expenditures (no written report)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 548

Assignment of Troops to Europe: It was agreed to refer to the Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations, jointly, S. Res. 8, as modified, declaring it to be the sense of the Senate that no ground forces be assigned to duty in Europe for purpose of North Atlantic Pact pending adoption by Congress of policy thereon. This agreement supplanted the previous decision to begin voting at 2 p. m. today on this resolution. Pages 544-545

Chinese Aggression: S. Res. 35, announcing it to be the sense of the Senate that U. N. should immediately

declare Communist China an aggressor in Korea, was adopted. Page 558

Communist China—U. N.: Senate unanimously adopted (by 91 yeas), as modified, S. Res. 36, declaring it to be the sense of the Senate that Communist China should not be admitted to membership in U. N. Pages 559-561

Sanctions Against Communist China: S. Res. 37, declaring it to be the sense of the Senate that U. N. should immediately take such measures against Communist China as necessary to maintain or restore international peace and security, was, on motion of Senator McFarland, referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 561-562

Contempt of Senate: By voice vote, Senate adopted S. Res. 43, citing Joe Doto for contempt of Senate, after first rejecting by 12 yeas to 59 nays, McCarran motion to refer the resolution to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report back within 1 week.

Senate Resolutions 44 through 50, citing various other individuals for contempt of Senate, were then adopted en bloc. Pages 573-580

Confirmations: Thirty-nine civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of William H. Harrison, of New York, to be Defense Production Administrator, and of Eric A. Johnston, of Washington, to be Economic Stabilization Administrator. Page 581

Nominations: Two civilian nominations were received, including that of Joseph P. Adams, of Washington, to be a member of the Civil Aeronautics Board. Page 581

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the committee approved the creation of the following standing subcommittees for the Eighty-second Congress: (1) Subcommittee on Investigations, which jurisdiction will also include that of the former Subcommittee on Relations With International Organizations (Senator Humphrey was named to fill the vacancy existing on this subcommittee); (2) Subcommittee on Reorganization, which jurisdiction will also include that of the former Subcommittee To Study Intergovernmental Relations; and (3) Subcommittee To Investigate Wildlife Conservation. The full membership and personnel of these subcommittees will be appointed at a later date.

In open session, the committee began its hearings on S. 101, to amend Reorganization Act of 1949 by adding a new title III, entitled "Defense Reorganization Act of 1951," receiving testimony from Frederick J. Lawton, Director, Bureau of the Budget; and Robert L. L. McCormick, research director, Citizens Committee for the Hoover Report. Mr. Lawton suggested that reactivation of title I of the First War Powers Act of 1941, with appropriate amendment, as suggested by the President in his message of December 18, 1950, is preferable to S. 101. Mr. McCormick favored the enactment of S. 101 with the inclusion of four suggested recommendations.

Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

HAWAII AND ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, members of the committee discussed, but took no action on, S. 49, statehood for Hawaii, and S. 50, statehood for Alaska.

EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Study of Export Policies and Control Regulations heard the following witnesses, in executive session, discuss export controls: Willard L. Thorp, Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs, and Willis C. Armstrong, Associate Chief, Economic Resources Section, both of the State Department; Robert N. Golding, Special Assistant for East-West Trade Affairs, ECA; and J. Mishell George, Chief of Section, Operation Division, Office of International Trade, Department of Commerce.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, Subcommittee on Labor-Management Relations voted to report to the full committee its reports on in-

vestigations of (1) the Bell Telephone System, and (2) the east coast tanker oil industry.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee held its organizational meeting, establishing five standing subcommittees, as follows: (1) Civil Service, consisting of Senators Pastore, *chairman*, Monroney, and Butler of Maryland; (2) Postal Service, consisting of Senators Clements, *chairman*, Pastore, and Carlson; (3) Retirement, consisting of Senators Smathers, *chairman*, Clements, and Duff; (4) Archives, Cafeterias, and Census, consisting of Senators Monroney, *chairman*, Johnston, Neely, Langer, and Welker; and (5) Contested Nominations, consisting of Senators McKellar, *chairman*, Johnston, and Langer.

The following Senators were designated as members of the Post Office and Civil Service Committee to be ex officio members of the Appropriations Committee: Senators Johnston, McKellar, and Langer.

The chairman announced that additional subcommittees would be appointed at its next meeting.

Various committee resolutions were adopted, and J. Austin Latimer was designated as the chief clerk and counsel, and H. J. Brawley was designated as staff director.

The committee voted to report S. Res. 19, providing funds for additional clerk hire for the committee.

The chairman was instructed to move the referral of S. 35, appointment of deputy U. S. marshals without regard to civil-service laws, which is now on the Senate Calendar, having been reported by the Senate Judiciary Committee, to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

PLASTICS—SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Continuing its hearings, the committee received testimony from the following witnesses as to the problems confronting small business due to shortages in plastic materials: Lowell Kilgore appeared in behalf of the National Production Authority. Testifying in behalf of the producers were James R. Turnbull, plastics division, Monsanto Chemical Co., Springfield; Clinton Blount, bakelite division, Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.; and William Dixon, Dow Chemical Co. Representing the molders and processors were George S. Nalle, Jr., Nalle Plastics, Austin, Tex.; Eli Jensen and C. R. Downs, Cambridge Molded Plastics; Edward Singer, Victory Manufacturing Co., Chicago; Carl Luster, Lincoln Plastics Corp., Cambridge, Ohio; Herbert R. Galloway, Minnesota Plastics Corp., St. Paul; Joseph Sholkin, Beacon Plastics, Newton Highlands, Mass.; William Sauey, Flambeau Plastics, Baraboo, Wis.; and J. S. Finger, Corrulux Corp., Houston. Committee meets Friday on shortages in aluminum.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-seven public bills, H. R. 1933-1959; twenty private bills, H. R. 1960-1979; and eleven resolutions, H. J. Res. 127, H. Con. Res. 40-44, and H. Res. 89-93, were introduced. Pages 612-613

Renegotiation: Passed, 377 yeas to no nays, H. R. 1724, to provide for the renegotiation of contracts, after adopting several amendments. This bill creates a five member renegotiation board, three of whom must be civilians, to renegotiate contracts that are made by certain Government agencies exercising functions in connection with the national defense. Contractors and subcontractors shall not be renegotiated for any year unless he has received or accrued more than \$100,000 in the year.

Subcontractors whose income is derived from certain fees or commissions would be renegotiated for any year in which they have receipts or accruals of \$25,000 or more.

H. Res. 87, the rule making in order the consideration of H. R. 1724, was previously adopted. Pages 581-609

Joint Committee Assignments: Adopted H. Res. 91, electing Representatives Stanley, Trimble, and LeCompte to the Joint Committee on Printing.

The resolution also elected Representatives Stanley, Regan, Albert, LeCompte, and Bishop to membership on the Joint Committee on the Library. Pages 611-612

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NATIONAL SECURITY AND MANPOWER

Committee on Armed Services: Opened hearings on H. R. 1752, to permit the more effective utilization of manpower resources of the United States by authorizing universal military service and training. Heard the views of Gen. George C. Marshall, Secretary of Defense, on the proposed legislation. Anna M. Rosenberg, Assistant Secretary of Defense, is scheduled to testify at tomorrow morning's meeting.

DEFENSE HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed hearings on H. R. 1272, to assist the provision of housing and community facilities and services required in connection with the national defense (to be cited as the Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Act of 1951). Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency, concluded his testimony in support of the bill under consideration, and a statement for the record was filed by Franklin D. Richards, FHA Commissioner. Hearings will be continued tomorrow, at which time representatives of the Department of Defense and the Federal Security Agency are scheduled to testify.

D. C. CRIME INVESTIGATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Held its executive organizational meeting, and announced appointments to the Subcommittee on Crime and Law Enforcement, as follows: Representatives Davis of Georgia (chairman), Teague, Smith of Virginia, and Simpson of Illinois. The appointment of one further minority member will be made at a later date.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held an executive meeting, and announced that further executive discussions would be held on Thursday morning.

RADIO MONITORING STATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House, H. R. 1730, amending the Communications Act of 1934, regarding radio monitoring stations. Also discussed committee procedure before adjourning subject to call of the Chair.

ALUMINUM, MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Celler Subcommittee on the Study of Monopoly Power continued hearings to investigate the present and proposed expansion of facilities in the aluminum industry. In the morning session Richard Reynolds, Jr., of Reynolds Metals Co., Richmond, Va., testified. Witnesses heard in the afternoon session were Jess Larson, Administrator, General Services Administration; Capt. Maxwell W. Balfour, vice president, Spartan Aircraft Co., Tulsa, Okla. Hearings will be continued Thursday morning.

POSTAL PROPERTY PARKING

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held its organizational meeting and announced appointment of a subcommittee on H. R. 1742, to prohibit the parking of vehicles upon any property owned by the United States for postal purposes. This group is composed of Representatives Karsten of Missouri (chairman), Burnside, Lesinski, and Armstrong. Also announced that the regular committee meetings would be held the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Held its organization meeting and set up its regular subcommittees.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the Atomic Energy Commission, accompanied by their staffs, to discuss current problems of the AEC.